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February 11, 2020

The Honorable Andrew Wheeler
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Administrator Wheeler:

P.L. 116-113, the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement Implementation Act (USMCA), provides the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with \$304 million in emergency appropriations. Of this amount, \$300 million is provided for the State and Tribal Grant program for the U.S.-Mexico Border Water Infrastructure Program, and \$4 million is provided to support EPA's role in the Commission for Environmental Cooperation. We are writing to request a detailed expenditure plan of the anticipated uses of these funds no later than April 11, 2020.

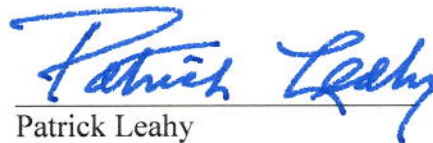
We further request that the spend plan be updated – including obligations to date, broken out by fiscal year – and submitted to the Committee every 120 days until all such funds are expended or expired. The Committee requires that the expenditure plans be provided prior to the obligation of any such funds, and that the plans be broken out at the program, project, and activity level, to include estimated personnel and administrative costs.

Thank you for your attention to this request. Please contact committee staff should you have any questions: Emy Lesofski (emy_lesofski@appro.senate.gov) with the majority and Rachael Taylor (rachael_taylor@appro.senate.gov) with the minority.

Sincerely,



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